

HOUSE BILL 364

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ENROLLED BILL

— *Ways and Means/Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs* —

Introduced by **Delegate Walker**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Student Participation in High School Sports – *Minimum Academic***
3 **Requirements – *Proposed Standards***

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education, *in consultation with*
5 *county boards of education*, to ~~adopt regulations to establish~~ *report to certain*
6 *committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date regarding* certain
7 academic performance standards that students in public high schools in the
8 State ~~must~~ *should* meet in order to participate in certain high school athletic
9 competitions; requiring the ~~regulations~~ *report* to include certain ~~provisions~~
10 *recommendations*; ~~requiring county boards of education to allow certain~~
11 ~~students to participate in certain high school athletic competitions only in~~
12 ~~accordance with the regulations of the State Board~~; and generally relating to
13 academic requirements for student participation in high school sports.

14 ~~BY adding to~~

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 ~~Article—Education~~
 2 ~~Section 7-205.1~~
 3 ~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~
 4 ~~(2008 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)~~

5 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
 6 MARYLAND, That ~~the Laws of Maryland read as follows:~~

7 ~~Article—Education~~

8 ~~7-205.1.~~

9 ~~(A) (1) THE STATE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO~~
 10 ~~ESTABLISH ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE STANDARDS THAT STUDENTS IN PUBLIC~~
 11 ~~HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE STATE MUST MEET IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN~~
 12 ~~ATHLETIC COMPETITIONS SANCTIONED BY A COUNTY BOARD.~~

13 ~~(2) THE REGULATIONS SHALL INCLUDE PROVISIONS THAT~~
 14 ~~SPECIFY THE CURRICULUM CONTENT, MINIMUM GRADE POINT AVERAGE, AND~~
 15 ~~GRADE PROGRESS THAT PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS MUST SATISFY TO BE~~
 16 ~~ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN ATHLETIC COMPETITIONS SANCTIONED BY THE~~
 17 ~~COUNTY BOARD.~~

18 ~~(B) A COUNTY BOARD SHALL ALLOW STUDENTS IN PUBLIC HIGH~~
 19 ~~SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN ATHLETIC COMPETITIONS~~
 20 ~~SANCTIONED BY THE COUNTY BOARD ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE~~
 21 ~~REGULATIONS OF THE STATE BOARD.~~ *on or before December 31, 2011, the State*
 22 *Board of Education, in consultation with the county boards of education, shall report,*
 23 *in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Education,*
 24 *Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Committee on Ways and*
 25 *Means, regarding the minimum academic performance standards that students in*
 26 *public high schools in the State should meet in order to participate in athletic*
 27 *competitions sanctioned by a county board of education. The report shall include*
 28 *recommendations regarding the curriculum content, minimum grade point average,*
 29 *and grade progress that public high school students should satisfy to be eligible to*
 30 *participate in athletic competitions sanctioned by the county board.*

31 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 32 ~~October~~ June 1, 2011.